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RESOLUTION 3-D IMAGES OF 3-D OBJECT SURFACES  
HAVING ARBITRARY SURFACE GEOMETRY

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, please amend the same as follows:

**AMENDMENT OF THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the first paragraph of Page 1, entitled "Cross-Reference to Related U.S. Application" as follows:

This is a Continuation of copending Application No. 09/990,585 filed November 21, 2001 which is a Continuation-in-Part of: copending Application Serial No. 09/999,687 filed October 31, 2001; copending Application Serial No. 09/954,477 filed September 17, 2001; copending Application Serial No. 09/883,130 filed June 15, 2001, which is a Continuation-in-Part of Application Serial No. 09/781,665 filed February 12, 2001; copending Application Serial No. 09/780,027 filed February 9, 2001; <sup>now US 6,629,641</sup> copending Application Serial No. 09/721,885 filed November 24, 2000; <sup>now US 6,631,442</sup> Application Serial No. 09/327,756 filed June 7, 1999; and International Application Serial No. PCT/US00/15624 filed June 7, 2000, published as WIPO WO 00/75856 A1; each said application being commonly owned by Assignee, Metrologic Instruments, Inc., of Blackwood, New Jersey, and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein in its entirety.

On Page 93, please delete the seventh full paragraph as follows:

[Fig. 1V5 is a schematic representation of a presentation-type bar code symbol reading system embodying the PLHM-based subsystem of Fig. 1V1;]